

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2003  
6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m., which was immediately following an Executive Session, with Bill Goins, Darrin McGowan, Brian Sheehan, John Byrne, and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, Jan Voiles, *Rushville Republican*, and Brant Petry, WKWH.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the October 21, 2003 meeting were presented for approval. Byrne made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Mayor Bridges reported the following:

- On Friday, October 31, ISU came to Rushville and officially announced the Rush County Learning Center is a reality and actually has opened. Most of the classes so far have been computer literacy courses taught by Ivy Tech. This will make post secondary and technical training more accessible for residents.
- On November 5 & 6, attended an Indiana Main Street Conference in Terre Haute. The sessions focused on business retention and development.
- Last week attended a tri-state Rural Development Conference in Louisville, KY. This was a cooperative meeting by three states recognizing the need for a regional approach for rural development.
- Congratulations to the Clerk-Treasurer and Council members who were successful in their recent re-elections efforts.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT \* \* \***

None.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \***

**Police** – Traffic Safety Committee update:

- 200 Block of Julian Street Parking – The committee thought it would be better to wait until we are doing some resurfacing and then possibly look at opening up some space with curbs and sidewalks.

- 7<sup>th</sup> & Harrison Street 4-way stop – 4 studies were done by the Police Department showing the average speed anywhere from 28 – 32 miles per hour. In all the studies there were only 4 or 5 that could have been stopped for excess speed, which were clocked between 35 – 40 miles per hour. They thought the 4-way stop was not necessary at this time.
- 1200 Block North Arthur gravel roadway – The possibility of putting up a gate was discussed. The committee thought it would be best to check with the fair board.
- 1205 Sugar Hill Parking – The committee did not really see a problem. A no parking sign was put up where it was requested and now there are more complaints than before.

Goins made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Traffic Safety Committee. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **CITIZEN'S CONCERNS \* \* \***

None.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Approve Sale of Property on Fort Wayne Road (Hooten)** – Sheehan made a motion to complete the sale of the property on Fort Wayne Road. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ICAP Grant** – Kevin Polivack presented a resolution to approve a block grant for \$240,000.00 through Community Development. This would rehab up to 16 owner occupied properties. Goins made a motion to approve Resolution 2003-17. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Dedicate Streets for Flatrock Village Shops** – Bill Todd asked Council to consider dedicating the streets at the Flatrock Village Shops. He said we needed to decide how much of a bond the City would require. Butler Fairman had suggested \$20,000.00 - \$25,000.00. The City would then be required to pay back 20% of the bond each year. Sheehan made a motion to table the matter for further investigation. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Moratorium** – Todd also asked Council if they wished to extend the moratorium, which was in place or let it die? After discussion Pavey made a motion to continue the moratorium for a period of 6 months or until the zoning was in place, excluding the property located at 833 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried. Byrne asked if anyone else came before the Area Plan during this time what would happen. Todd said he would tell them they should speak to the Mayor.

**Purchase Police Cars** – Fudge asked Council for permission to go ahead and start the process to purchase 2 new cars. Byrne made a motion to allow Fudge to move forward with purchasing the 2 new cars. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2003-7, Adopting Resolution of Utility Board for Salary & Wages for 2004** – Sheehan made a motion to approve the ordinance. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Transfer Resolution 2003-15** – Sheehan made a motion to approve transfer Resolution 2003-15. Byrne seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Resolution 2003-16, Adding Monies Back to Appropriations** – Byrne made a motion to approve Resolution 2003-16. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilman invited everyone to participate in a Break-A-Way-Telethon on December 13.

Mayor Bridges asked Council if they were interested in advertising in the Village Profile sponsored by the Chamber. The total cost for 3 years is \$420.00. Bridges said there would be money left out of election expenses. Goins made a motion to pay for the advertising. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** – Pavey made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before Council, Sheehan made a motion to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER